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A S S I G N M E N T

WHEREAS, I, DONALD DUANE BROOKER, citizen of the United States of America, residing in Kingsport, County of Sullivan, State of Tennessee, have invented new and useful improvements in a METHOD OF PROTECTING A SURFACE IN A GASIFIER, set forth in an application for Letters Patent in the United States of America,

- having an oath or declaration executed on even date herewith;
 bearing Serial No. 09/762,032 and filed on February 1, 2001; and

WHEREAS, TEXACO INC., a corporation of the State of Delaware, and having a regular and established place of business at San Ramon, State of California, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest to said invention relating to, in and for the territory of the United States of America, and all United States patents granted therefor and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof:

WHEREAS, TEXACO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, a corporation of the State of Delaware, having a regular and established place of business at San Ramon, State of California, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest to said invention in and for all countries foreign to the United States of America, patents granted therefor and all divisions thereof:

NOW, THEREFORE, for a valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby individually acknowledged, I, the said DONALD DUANE BROOKER, do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto said TEXACO INC., its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest to said invention relating to, in and for the territory of the United States of America, and all United States patents granted therefor and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and unto said TEXACO DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, its successors, assigns and nominees, the entire right, title and interest to said invention relating to patents granted therefor and all divisions thereof, in and for all countries throughout the world, except for the United States of America.

SIGNED my hand at Kingsport, Tennessee, this 11 day of June, 2004.


DONALD DUANE BROOKER

STATEMENT BY WITNESS

I, Sherry R. Baker, whose full post office address is P.O. Box 511, Kingsport, Tennessee 37660, was personally present and did see Donald Duane Brooker who is known to me execute the above assignment on June 11, 2004.



Sherry R. Baker
Signature of Witness